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THE BLACK WOMEN'S EXPO AND EMILIE MCKENDALL HOST NO MORE DRAMA: REAL TALK FROM REAL MEN ABOUT LIFE AND LOVE

(Chicago, IL) – The Black Women's Expo will present a preview of the uplifting and empowering seminars that will be unveiled during the August 2010 Expo when it partners with radio personality Emilie McKendall on a special relationship seminar. *No More Drama: Real Talk from Real Men About Life and Love* will be presented on Wednesday, May 19, 2010 at Rumba, 331 West Hubbard Street in Chicago. The event begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m. followed by a discussion with an all-male panel of distinguished African American men moderated by Emilie McKendall at 6:00 p.m.

McKendall currently hosts *Emilie & Friends* on WVON 1690 AM heard on Saturdays from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. She regularly tackles hot topics such as relationships, marriage, love, navigating the singles scene and related subjects as a listening audience calls in to respond and voice their opinions. *No More Drama* will present the viewpoints of a diverse male panel, including Dr. Robert Evans, clinical and organizational psychologist, Evans & Evans Consulting; Melvin Buckley, McDonald's owner and member of Black McDonald's Operators Association; Pastor Chris Harris, senior pastor, Bright Star Church of God in Christ; Dwayne Bryant, nationally renowned motivational speaker and founder of Inner Vision International, Inc.; William Roger Moss, III, president and CEO of blackromance.com, an internet dating service; and Antara Shaddod, a poet also known as Soul Sayer.

Merry Green, founder and producer of The Black Women's Expo, is excited about the opportunity to include the views of successful African American men to the sometimes contentious discussions of Black on Black relationships as recently addressed on a segment of *Nightline* on ABC Television. "The Expo's relationship seminars are always well-attended and fully interactive as panelists and guests go toe-to-toe regarding the Black male/Black female connection or disconnection depending on the individual's perspective," said Green. She added, "As an uplifting and empowering event that attracts thousands of African American women annually, The Black Women's Expo continues to take the lead in facilitating open and heartfelt dialogues on the hot button issues of the day."

State Farm Presents The Black Women's Expo on Saturday and Sunday, August 7-8, 2010 at McCormick Place. A national destination event, the Expo -- now in its 17th consecutive year -- will present nationally known speakers, engaging seminars, live entertainment, local and national exhibitors and more. For information on The Black Women's Expo or the *No More Drama* relationship seminar, call 312.243.3554. For dinner reservations at Rumba, call 312.222.0770. Admission is free and seating is limited.

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